Replication Codebook

Matter of A-B- Replication Dataset

Variable	Description	Coding
app_asylum	Whether the noncitizen applied for asylum	1 = Yes; 0 = No
apt_dem_pres	Whether judge was appointed by a Democratic president	1 = Yes; 0 = No
atty	Whether the noncitizen had legal representation	1 = Yes; 0 = No
cube_rt_caseload	Caseload of IJ (two-week total, cube root transformed)	Continuous
custody_n	Noncitizen's custody status	1 = Never Detained; 2 = Released; 3 = Detained
days_from_ab	Number of days from the Matter of A-B- decision	Continuous
female	Judge's gender is female	1 = Yes; 0 = No
hispanic_ij	Judge's racial identity is Hispanic	1 = Yes; 0 = No
ij_asian	Judge's racial identity is Asian	1 = Yes; 0 = No
IJ_FE_ID	Unique identifier for judge fixed effects	Factor variable ID
IJ_pre_post_AB	Indicator that proceeding occurred during the study window	1 = Include; 0 = Exclude
is_missing	Whether key data for the case is missing	1 = Missing; 0 = Complete
lang	Noncitizen's primary language	1 = English; 2 = Spanish; 3 = Other/Unknown
matter_of_ab_an	Whether the proceeding occurred pre- or post-Matter of A-B-	0 = Apr 12 – Jun 10, 2018; 1 = Jun 11 – Aug 10, 2018
nat_fe	Unique identifier for nationality fixed effects	Factor variable ID
nationality	Nationality coding variable (for exclusion of unknowns)	Integer codes; nonzero = valid nationality

p_comp_date	Calendar date of decision completion (used for plotting)	Stata daily date format
percent_asian_14	Share of judges at a court who were Asian (based on prior 2 weeks)	Continuous (0–100 percent)
percent_female_14	Share of judges at a court who were female (based on prior 2 weeks)	Continuous (0–100 percent)
percent_hispanic_14	Share of judges at a court who were Hispanic (based on prior 2 weeks)	Continuous (0–100 percent)
removal_decision	Outcome in a removal proceeding	1 = Ordered removed; 0 = Relief granted
white_ij	Judge's racial identity is White	1 = Yes; 0 = No

Pandemic Replication Dataset

Variable	Description	Coding
apt_dem_pres	Whether judge was appointed by a Democratic president	1 = Yes; 0 = No
atty	Whether the noncitizen had legal representation	1 = Yes; 0 = No
Chinese	Whether the noncitizen is a Chinese national	1 = Yes; 0 = No
cube_rt_caseload	Caseload of IJ (two-week total, cube root transformed)	Continuous
custody_n	Noncitizen's custody status	1 = Never Detained; 2 = Released; 3 = Detained
Detained	Custody: Detained (binary indicator)	1 = Detained; 0 = Otherwise
English	Language: English (binary indicator)	1 = English; 0 = Otherwise
female	Judge's gender is female	1 = Yes; 0 = No
hispanic_ij	Judge's racial identity is Hispanic	1 = Yes; 0 = No
ij_asian	Judge's racial identity is Asian	1 = Yes; 0 = No
IJ_FE_ID	Unique identifier for judge fixed effects	Factor variable ID
IJ_pre_post_pan	Indicator that proceeding occurred during time window for pandemic analysis	1 = Include; 0 = Exclude
ij_race	Judge's race (used for subgrouping)	"White", "Asian", "Hispanic", etc.
include_m	Indicator for inclusion in pandemic analysis sample	1 = Include; 0 = Exclude
is_missing	Whether key data for the case is missing	1 = Missing; 0 = Complete
lang	Noncitizen's primary language	1 = English; 2 = Spanish; 3 = Other/Unknown
nat_fe	Unique identifier for nationality fixed effects	Factor variable ID
Never_Detained	Custody: Never detained (binary indicator)	1 = Never Detained; 0 = Otherwise

Other_Unknown_Lang	Language: Other or Unknown (binary indicator)	1 = Other/Unknown; 0 = Otherwise
p_comp_date	Calendar date of decision completion (used for plotting)	Stata daily date format
p_comp_month	Month of decision completion (used for marginsplot x-axis)	Stata monthly date format
pandemic_MAR1	Whether the proceeding occurred pre- or post-pandemic onset	0 = Oct 1, 2019 – Feb 29, 2020; 1 = Mar 1 – Jul 31, 2020
percent_asian_14	Share of judges at a court who were Asian (based on prior 2 weeks)	Continuous (0–100 percent)
percent_female_14	Share of judges at a court who were female (based on prior 2 weeks)	Continuous (0–100 percent)
percent_hispanic_14	Share of judges at a court who were Hispanic (based on prior 2 weeks)	Continuous (0–100 percent)
Released	Custody: Released from detention (binary indicator)	1 = Released; 0 = Otherwise
removal_decision	Outcome in a removal proceeding	1 = Ordered removed; 0 = Relief granted
Spanish	Language: Spanish (binary indicator)	1 = Spanish; 0 = Otherwise